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"GO FORTH AND TELL"

What meant that Easter morn to those
Who sought the tomb with spices sweet?
The bitter pain of high hopes slain,
The heart's deep loss, the cruel cross,
The lonely road for weary feet.

What meant the Easter morn to them
When fuller knowledge came that day?
Hope in the gloom, an empty tomb,
A flash of light, an angel's might
That rolled the heavy stone away.

What means the Easter morn to us?
A bird-song o'er that empty prison,
Dayspring of hope to souls that grope,
Sweet bells that chime throughout all time,—
"For every land the Christ is risen."

—Winifred Spaulding in
Woman's Missionary Friend.



From The Editor's Desk

"How sweetly blows the Resurrection horn
Across the meadows, over the far hills!
In the soul's garden a new sweetness stirs,
And the heart fills,
And in and out the mind flow the soft airs.
Arise, my heart, and sing, this Easter morn;
In the year's resurrection do thy part—
Arise, my heart!"

How every uplifting belief, thought or emotion must be woven into the fabric of daily life—must be put to practical use—in order to serve the individual or the world! At this most significant season, to all whose faith reaches out past the limits of sense, when Nature is responding so promptly and perfectly to the universal quickening, the call comes to every soul, as surely as to the tree and grass and bulb, for unfoldment, expansion. What response are we making, in heart and life, thought and deed? "In the year's resurrection do thy part." . . . We all rejoice in the returning health of our Western Field Secretary, Rev. Elizabeth Moody, who has been so long shut in. She writes, in a personal letter: "Sometimes we are so busy we do not have time for needful communion with God and to receive His messages; but I've had some very blessed experiences in the last few months and they have made the past year one of the most precious of my life. So many kind friends, too, have sent me words of greeting and sympathy, and shortened the hours when otherwise I would have been much alone. For it all I am so glad and thankful." . . . We are happy to announce that our National Treasurer, Miss DeMeritte, is to be one of the delegates to the World's Missionary Conference to be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, beginning June 14. We hope

that others of our workers may have, and bring back to us, the inspiration of this great meeting. We vividly recall the hush of the vast assembly in Carnegie Hall when the closing speaker at the Ecumenical Conference of 1900 declared that no one could attend a meeting like that and ever be just the same again. It was quite true; but no one who has not felt the power of five thousand people absolutely of one accord in prayer and speech and song, moved by one impulse and a common purpose, could fully appreciate the experience. . . . Reports of the Student Volunteer Convention held in Rochester, sent by a friendly Y. W. C. A. Secretary, were received too late for review in the February HELPER. Dr. Ford calls attention to its significance. Imagine over 3,000 delegates from 49 states and 29 countries, representing 722 institutions of learning. In fifteen minutes, without strenuous appeal, \$85,000 was pledged for the support of the work in the next four years. The following statistics speak for themselves: Within fifty years from the arrival of the first missionary in Japan there are 65,000 adult Protestant communicants; in Korea, 35,000 after twenty-five years of work; in China, within nine years, the number of communicants has risen from 100,000 to 150,000. Over 2,000,000 converts are enrolled today in non-Christian lands. The number added last year was 135,141—an average of 400 a day. These facts may well be remembered in connection with our approaching Thank Offering. A few of the pertinent questions asked were: Have I a Christianity worth passing on? What is Christ to me? What are my relations to Him? Have I a vital interest in Christianity? Have I had such an experience in Christ that I have a message to give? And these: Am I a man or woman of prayer? Not do I talk about praying, but is my life permeated with the presence of God—a life fragrant with prayer? One of the points emphasized was the need of a larger home base. "There is no sense in talking about our watchword without an adequate base for a world-wide war." Dr. Ford calls attention to this, and the proposed campaign in our own home field. We heartily endorse this movement, as well as Secretary Myers' statements in regard to the vital need of education along missionary lines. . . . We welcome the new auxiliary at Center Strafford, N. H. The auxiliaries are always centers of education. The more of them the better for the work, not only missionary work outside of the church, but the very life of the church itself is quickened and strengthened. . . . Can't you really see Contai through Mr. Murphy's entertaining article? . . . Friends of Storer College and of our Recording Secretary, Mrs. Metcalf, will be interested in this bit from a personal letter: "I am able to be at my old place in the library at Storer and it seems good to be here. Prof. Brackett has been in the hospital in Washington for several weeks. He is improving. Mrs. Lightner has charge of his work and I fill up the chinks. Miss Elizabeth Anthony is here teaching. She and I live together in the Morrell House."

Our Offering

If we had lived in old Jerusalem
 When Jesus walked and taught
 there, long ago;
 If sometimes we had touched His
 garment's hem,
 When the great throngs were surging
 to and fro;
 If we had come to know Him, day by
 day,
 Drawn to His heart by love's slow-
 strengthening bands,
 And sometime, when in weary pain
 we lay,
 Had felt the healing of His blessed
 hands.

Could we have failed to bring Him of
 our best,
 Laid at His feet in eager offering;
 Choosing the fairest and the costliest
 From all our goods to lavish on our
 King?

Could we have grudged Him aught of
 time or health,
 Spent in His service, toiling at His
 side;

Or, if He asked the utmost of our
 wealth,
 Could we have met His pleading, and
 denied?

If we had lived by that old city gate,
 When the first Easter morning
 flushed the skies,
 And in our sorrowing silence desolate
 Had heard the word of wondrous,
 sweet surprise,
 Could we have failed to spread the
 message wide
 To every heart left aching in the
 gloom,
 That He had risen who was crucified,
 Gone forth in triumph from the
 empty tomb?

O, little ones who love His Name, to-
 day
 He asks our offerings for His ser-
 vice sweet;
 And we may bring them joyfully and
 lay
 Our best and costliest at His pierced
 feet.

And while the Easter morning breaks
 in light,
 Our lips may send the message
 forth to men,
 Across the farthest lands of sin and
 night,
 To tell the world that Christ is
 risen again.

—Mabel Earle.

Off For Contai

BY REV. H. R. MURPHY.

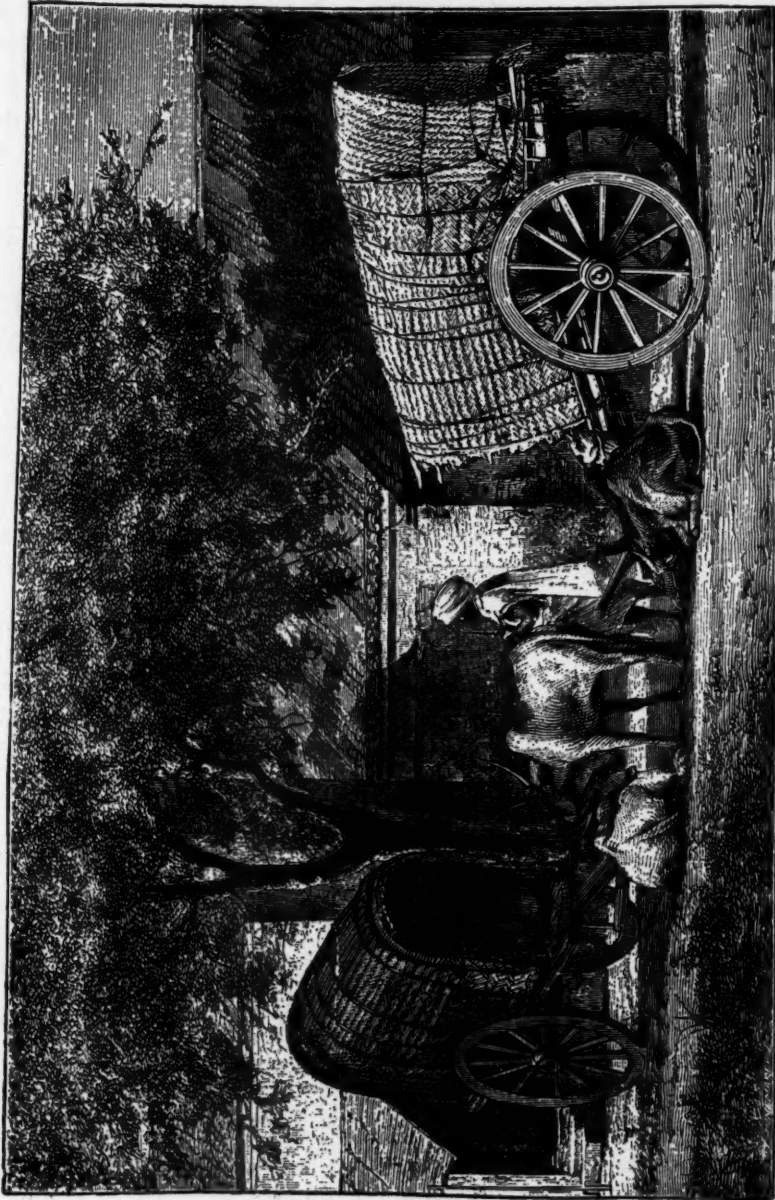
Did somebody say they wanted to visit Contai? Well, just suppose that we are at Midnapore with the Wymans in the old Phillips' bungalow. First we must send for Mohendra and his little hackney carriage to take us to the station. Then it is a hustle to get things together, for bedding, clothes and food must be included in every traveler's outfit who would travel in India. These stowed away on the roof and ourselves tucked inside and our coachman begins to shout, stamp his feet on the dash-board, swing his lines and crack his whip and we are off amid a din of noise sufficient to start an ocean liner. At the station coolies,

twice as many as we need, meet us half way down the road and run alongside our carriage, begging to carry our bundles and boxes from the carriage to the train at two cents a bundle. A twenty minutes ride brings us to Khargpur, a great modern railway city. After a short wait we are transferred to the Madras mail train and in less than an hour we are landed bag and baggage on the platform of the Contai Road station, from which we must begin the serious part of our journey, for Contai is thirty-five miles distant. Here we may choose our conveyance, for on the one hand is the old time bullock cart which travels two miles an hour and, with stops to rest and feed the bullocks, will get us to Contai day after tomorrow in the morning. A bullock cart is about three feet wide by six long and the roof three feet high, and a flat floor of split bamboos covered with a few inches of rice straw for springs, upon which you may spread out your bedding and crawl in from the front end, having stored your baggage in the rear end. Yes, you may sit with your limbs extended straight in front of you or neatly folded away underneath you, but backache or cramps will soon have you prone on your back where, between napping and reading and counting the mile posts, you may while the time away.

If you are in a real hurry there is the camel cart, which will reach Contai tomorrow, but for comfort give us the old time bullock cart. The latter is private, while in the camel cart one has no choice of fellow passengers, smells or dirt. Some of the passengers, although exceeding small, may prove very annoying. The bullock cart holds but one passenger, so I shall have to leave you to yourself to see the paddy fields, typical Indian villages and bands of monkeys and strange flowers by the roadside.

At l-a-s-t we are alongside the Orysa coast canal in Contai bazaar and for very pity for the little tired bullocks that have brought us so far we alight and are glad to stretch our limbs as we climb the sand dunes up to the Contai mission house. On our left, as we climb the sand hill, stands the Contai church, a comfortable little chapel with galvanized iron roof, standing under the great spreading limbs of a banyan tree. On the opposite side of this tree are the homes of some of our mission workers. Let us call and see them. In the first house live Rev. Charles Das and his wife, Sumote, and their four children. Charles has spent many years in mission work. His wife teaches in the Zenana schools. In the next house we shall find Srenath Chokdar and his wife. They

have been sorely afflicted in the loss of all but one of their children. The last to die was their daughter, who was Head-mistress of our Contai



TRAVELLING WAGONS

Girls' school. She was stricken with pneumonia and died after a few days. Near the end, the Lord appeared to her, after which she bade her friends and parents good-bye and with a prayer on her lips she departed.

It was the most triumphant entrance on the life beyond I ever witnessed. A little farther up the hill is the home of Khirid Das, who was a government pharmacist and so is able to render great assistance to Brother Sircar in his medical work. He was converted from Hinduism about three years ago. He has lived in Contai all his life and is respected by everybody.

And now we are at the mission bungalow, a brick building, standing high on a foundation of sand, but not of the shifting kind. From the flat roof we may view the country for miles and miles, in all directions. Yes, those are villages. "Count them?" Well, I have tried to a good many times, but have given it up. The settlement officer once told me that in this Sub-division there were close to 600 people to the square mile, and not a city or large town in the whole division. Think of it. Three hundred thousand people within ten miles of where you stand. Think again. It is 45 miles by air line to the nearest mission station.

Let us go in and meet Mr. and Mrs. Sircar and their group of five fine children. Brother Sircar was for years Head Master of our Balasore High school and came to Contai to take charge when the writer was transferred to Bhimpore. He is a true Indian gentleman and a Christian that we are justly proud of. He speaks English and might show you the mission work as well as I, but this is the medical hour and he is very busy, for he examines and prescribes for an average of nearly fifty patients a day.

If you can stay a whole week and are good at walking the aisles between the rice fields, you may visit our eighteen Sunday Schools. They are held on week days, for we have not workers enough to go to them all on Sunday. After dinner we may go down to the bazaar for the street preaching, where, nearly every evening, from one to five hundred hear the story of our Saviour's love; some of them for the first time, and some of them will never hear it again. This afternoon the preachers will go to a market; for, from Contai, a different market can be reached every day in the week. These markets are held under some great banyan tree or a clump of smaller trees and are attended by from one to six or eight thousand people during the four or five hours that the market sits. Sunday is a quiet day for our little Christian community. At half past seven in the morning they meet for prayer meeting followed by the Sunday School. At four o'clock they meet again for preaching service, and in the evening for the Christian Endeavor prayer meeting.

Now that you have been to Contai I am sure you will be interested in the following post card that I lately received from Brother Sircar:

My dear Brother in Christ:—I know all your thoughts are centered in Contai. Anything however trivial and uninteresting to others is eagerly accepted by you. The Lord has indeed heard your prayer and that of those of your countrymen who are interested in the salvation of India, and blessed us wonderfully in our work, especially the medical. Looking at the poor suffering humanity around us, we take unusually keen interest in the work. You will be astonished to hear that month before last we treated 972 patients and realized fifty-six rupees, and last month 1200 patients and realized seventy-two rupees. Your medicine is a charm to the people. You have shaken their faith in the village "medicine men," who have taken to other professions, and in their priests, who profess to propitiate the anger of the gods, and in their ancestral therapeutics which they thought to be unerring. Your mantle has fallen upon my shoulders, unworthy as I am. People are eagerly looking for the day of your return to Contai. We have not been able to secure a teacher for the Zenana schools yet. Bro. Charles Das is suffering from his head and has taken a month's leave. The rest are all well. Hoping this finds Mrs. Murphy, Master Murphy and yourself in good health, I am yours fraternally, H. N. Sircar, Contai, India.

Bethany, Nebraska.

Twentieth Thank Offering Call

Dear Fellow Workers:— Do we hear you say, "What, another Thank-Offering so soon? It seems but a month or so ago that the last call came." But please stop and think a moment and see how the weeks and months form into line, one after another, until they trail out into a whole year of busy days.

We know that you all can find many reasons for thankfulness, even if loss or sorrow has visited you. While fire and flood and many grievous accidents by land and sea have filled so many hearts with sorrow, still God's work has been bravely done by our missionaries, both at home and in foreign lands.

Many of us may well be thankful that it does not fall to our lot to do the planning for the successful carrying on of our mission work, for work does not run itself; many hours of careful thought and consulta-

tion by the noble women of our Mission Board make it possible for the most good to be done, with the funds you help furnish; and the more you help, the greater will be your reasons for thankfulness that such gratifying reports are received concerning our work.

In the midst of changes and uncertainties, there are many things to make us glad. Chief among them, perhaps, the way in which our members have stood together; their loyalty expressed in unfaltering service and unfailing contributions.

The work at Storer College has been abundantly blessed. The President's House, so long needed, is built, paid for and already occupied. The Boys' Dormitory—which will be the finest building on the campus and house ninety-five students—is growing. Myrtle Hall has been greatly improved in its practical usefulness for the girls. We are assured that "Storer College exerts a powerful influence over a large territory," the result of years of consecrated service, gifts and prayers.

We have been saddened over the depleted India field, but it is a cause for thanksgiving that two new missionaries and two returning ones have safely arrived in Calcutta, and are now at their appointed stations ready for active service, and that five others have been accepted. Notwithstanding inadequate numbers and the financial limitations due to inadequate giving in America, our workers are happily united and the work is constantly growing. The "Report" for 1909 is inspirational reading. There have been 137 baptisms, including boys and girls from the orphanages whose life work is still before them. The Balasore High School has more pupils than ever before and new ones are still coming. The Kindergarten work grows in every department, and six teachers received certificates from the Training School. In spite of local manifestations in Midnapore, of the National unrest, the zenana work has steadily increased. There are now 180 pupils on the rolls, which is only a suggestion of the number of people actually reached through the influence in the homes. Village schools are overflowing. Opposition is largely overcome and there is more demand than supply for teachers and preachers. Medical work is appealing to many who could not otherwise be reached. The hospital and well at Bhimpore are materializing through the efforts of Dr. Kennan. There is an ever increasing demand for gospels and tracts, which are distributed at the markets and on evangelistic tours and are also taken and carried far by the passing pilgrims. Of the cold season work Mr. Oxrieder writes: "The people flocked to

hear the Gospel, not only during the day, but until eleven o'clock at night, and even then would plead for the workers to sing just one more song, or tell once more the story of Jesus Who came to save men." Is not the fact that more missionaries and money are needed everywhere in itself a "call"?

The work in Liberia, in charge of Rev. Lewis P. Clinton, is restricted only by the lack of workers and the wherewithal to work. Mr. Clinton writes: "Every week boys and girls are refused admittance, sometimes after they have come on foot from jungle villages in the far interior." He pleads for a woman teacher to care for the girls and for skilful medical attendance for the Mission. Think of it! This work is ours, and the responsibility ours.

We return thanks, at this time, for the seventy-five years of consecrated labor in India, with all their direct and reflex influences. We are thankful for the worldwide activities, for the uplift and salvation of humanity, to which we bring our tribute of service; for the growing realization, put to use, that He "hath made of one blood all nations;" and that, more and more, we rejoice in our relationships in Christ instead of dwelling upon our differences. We are thankful for the Layman's Missionary Movement with its vital significance, and for rapid progress along educational lines, of which we, through our mission study, and our MISSIONARY HELPER, are a part; for the larger vision, power and possibilities—nay, verities—resulting from that spirit-filled convention of the Student Volunteer Movement held in Rochester; for the wonderful awakening in the Orient, and for the well nigh marvelous increase in the translations and distribution of the Bible, in every part of the world, which "will soon be printed in every known language and dialect."

We bind all these, and many more blessings, together in our thought and gladly bring our offerings of praise and gifts to God, from Whom all blessings flow.

The children are welcomed to an offering of their own, a Thank-Offering that shall provide for the salary of their missionary, Miss Barnes; kindergarten work for the wee ones in India, and the domestic science department at Storer College. The junior mite boxes may be obtained of Mrs. A. D. Chapman, 12 Prescott St., Lewiston, Maine, and mite boxes especially designed for the Cradle Rolls and Advanced Light Bearers, of Mrs. Laura E. Hartley, 28 Winter St., Waterville, Me. The Light Bearers support six children in Sinclair Orphanage and pay a part of the salary of Miss Sims at Storer.

As usual, a program and other helps for the May meeting will appear in the April HELPER. A public meeting in the church is very desirable, under the auspices of the auxiliary or others in the church where there is no auxiliary organization. It should be a deeply spiritual service, wherever held, in church, vestry or the home. Let the friends who cannot attend any gathering, observe the hour in May, and send their gift to our assistant treasurer, Miss Edyth R. Porter, 45 Andover St., Peabody, Mass. Auxiliary and church offerings should be sent to Quarterly Meeting and State treasurers; or, where there are none, to Miss Porter, of whom, also, Thank Offering envelopes and invitations may be obtained freely on application.

Let us remember the fact that the Thank-Offering is a special, free-will gift; not a part of the "tenth," a payment of a due, or the membership fee. It will be counted as a part of the State apportionment, however; and each twenty dollars of any Thank Offering entitles the donor or donors to make some one a life member of the W. M. S. Offerings less than twenty dollars can be applied toward a life membership, the required amount to be completed later.

This twentieth Thank Offering call is an urgent one; not only because of the pressing needs and widening opportunities at home and abroad, and the regular work for which we have pledged support; but also because of the spiritual uplift it is sure to bring to the church, auxiliary and individual.

We need the Thank Offering. Let us make special effort to observe this one, in every church, as heartily, prayerfully and liberally as possible. "I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."

CLARA A. RICKER.
NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB.
LINDA V. JORDAN.

"God Leadeth"

The Story of the International Institute for Girls in Spain

BY LOUISE MANNING HODGKINS.

The Class of 1910 will probably be graduated from the "Alice Gordon Gulick Memorial," the administration building of the International Institute for Girls in Spain. It is an interesting story of God's leading, from the day when a little American maiden of ten had her in-

terest for life aroused for Spain, by a temporary friendship with a Spanish playmate from Madrid, to the moment that sees the consecration through that American woman's lifelong devotion to the cause of Spanish education.

When scarcely more than a girl, December 19, 1871, Alice Gordon Gulick went with her husband, under the auspices of the American Board, as a missionary to Northern Spain, with no further idea than to aid her husband in his pioneer work. But the limited opportunity and the unlimited ability of the Spanish girl was thrust upon her first by the receipt of a badly spelled and worse written letter from an unknown daughter of Spain, offering to "give a great deal of work for a very little knowledge." She found there were many such girls and taking for her motto, "God leadeth," the result was a small boarding school first at Santander and afterward, in 1890, at San Sebastian, and still later, during the Spanish-American war, at Biarritz.

Always in touch with her own alma mater, Mount Holyoke College, and never out of touch with advanced education, Mrs. Gulick soon resolved to respond to the appeal of her older students and the spirit of the times in the matter of higher education for women in other lands, and attempt the task of fitting her own girls for the examinations in the Government Institute and also for Madrid University. It was a great test of the intellectual caliber of the Spanish girl, but in 1892 four of her pupils had taken the degree of B. A. In 1896 two had taken their M. A. at the University with great distinction.

The Imperial University now inquired, "Why is not this school better known?" To make it better known it was determined to bring it to Madrid, and in 1901 an excellent site was purchased on which was one good building that has served temporarily for both dormitory and administration in the initiative years of the school. Looking toward such an end, a charter had been taken out in Massachusetts under a corporation in 1892, independent of the American Board or the Woman's Board—a charter which was revised in 1900. The curriculum of the Institute includes the last three years required by the government of Spain for the degree of B. A.

In January, 1904, a new organization was announced, called the International Institute League, to enlist the sympathy and aid of all enlightened womanhood of the country and particularly young womanhood as represented by our American colleges for women. It was practically the first work of higher education in our land for higher education in

another, as represented by all colleges and secondary schools, with such friends as were broad enough of view and profound enough in interest to unite with them. Mt. Holyoke, Wellesley, Smith, Wells, Bryn Mawr, Tufts, Boston University and many other colleges are members of the League, as well as such secondary schools as Abbott Academy, Walnut Hill, Ogontz, Packer Institute, a list too long to overname in full. A good number of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society women are also members of this League, who work under a national committee, wholly in harmony with the corporation, and practically a part of it.

Mrs. Gulick's energies were bent on raising funds for the unsectarian scheme she had now well started, but her strength had been overtaxed, and while seeking health, first on the continent, then in London, God called her home September 14, 1903. The first exercise held in the new home in Madrid was the funeral of Mrs. Gulick, who had laid down her life for the work she loved. But no one ever had plans more faithfully adopted than were hers for the future of the Institute. For three years a noble building has been in process of erection that combines chapel, library, laboratories, recitation rooms, and a fourth story for dormitory purposes. The first graduating class in Madrid was five in number and these are all doing efficient educational work. One of them has charge of the Spanish department in Wellesley College, the others are employed in their own country.

In a recent visit to Spain I spent five weeks in the Institute, entering heartily into its inner life and sometimes bearing a part of its cares. The difference between these Christian girls taught on the lines of modern education, and those that I visited in another Spanish girls' school taught by Spanish nuns, was as wide as the difference between Protestant and Roman Catholic ideas of a woman's education.

In a Spanish Roman Catholic cemetery I saw one day a life-sized chiseled form of a lovely woman, a symbolic figure of Faith. Her eyes were transparently veiled; in her hand she held a cup; on her face was an expression of utter serenity and unfathomable trust. It well symbolized the deathless spirit of her who, with her future all unknown, offered in her short day the cup of life to the Spanish girl, who today blesses the memory of her who loved her even unto death.—*Woman's Missionary Friend*.

"Situations are like skeins of thread or silk. To make the most of them, we need only to take them by the right end."

In Memoriam

"Since the resurrection of Jesus, the path to the grave is not downward but upward. Death is no longer the end but the beginning. Christ's resurrection places a light in the window of the heavenly home, and the radiance of that light streams backward, flooding the dark valley of the shadow, so that multitudes of believing ones have come to the dark portal with a shout of victory. They have entered the unknown way with exultant confidence. Death for them has indeed been abolished, for it has become the entrance into life."

Mrs. Crossley, Haverhill, Mass., November 13, 1908.

Mrs. Judith C. Dudley, Haverhill, Mass., June 9, 1909.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Dunwell, Spencer, Iowa, December 27, 1909.

Mrs. Marancy Holcomb Hunter, Kansas City, Mo., January 1, 1910.

Mrs. Elise Magdalena Jardon, Batavia, Mich., January 10, 1910.

NOTE—When a member of an Auxiliary passes on, it is fitting that the name, place of residence and date of death should appear under "In Memoriam." Resolutions and obituaries are not printed in THE HELPER.

BUREAU ITEMS OF INTEREST

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FOR EASTER

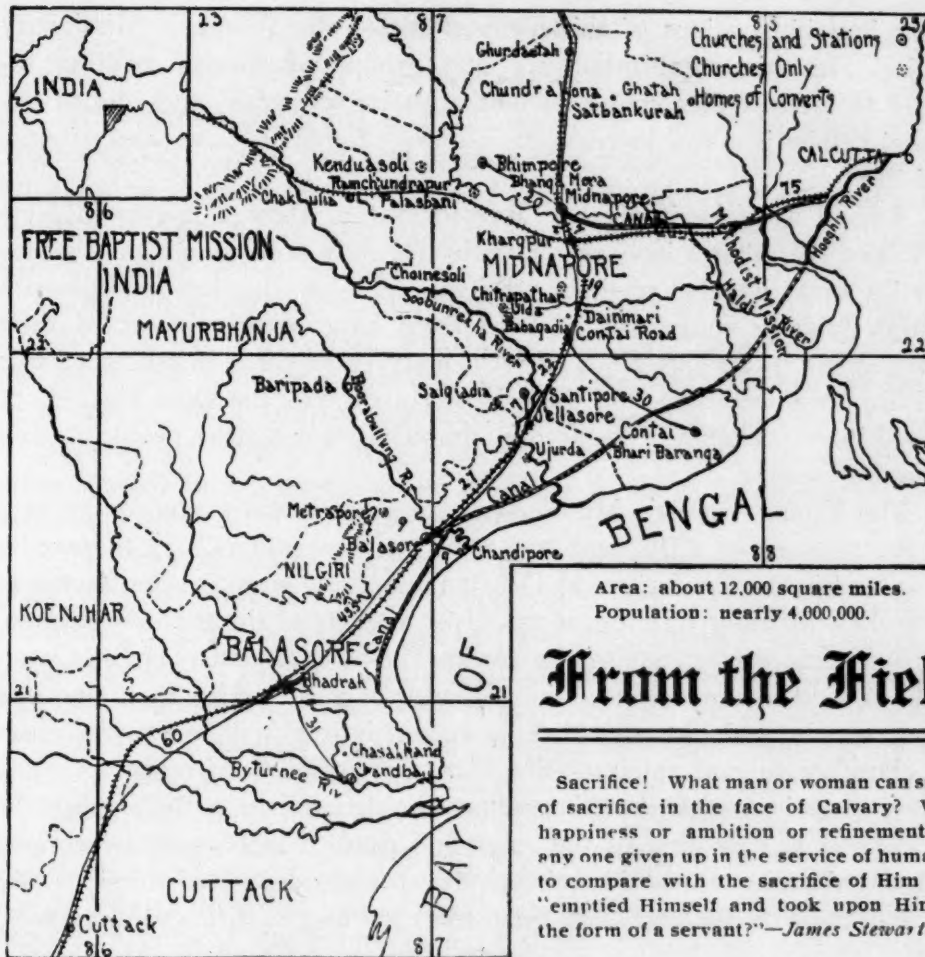
For Easter concerts by Sunday Schools and Junior Societies, the Bureau can offer the following exercises: "Nature's Resurrection," "Easter Garlands" and "Day of Triumph." Price 5 cents per copy, 55 cents per dozen.

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From the Field

Sacrifice! What man or woman can speak of sacrifice in the face of Calvary? What happiness or ambition or refinement has any one given up in the service of humanity to compare with the sacrifice of Him who "emptied Himself and took upon Himself the form of a servant?"—James Stewart.

Missionary Education

(LETTER FROM MR. HARRY MYERS, ASSISTANT GENERAL SECRETARY OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.)

DEAR FRIENDS:—

I have now been in New York nearly two years as a Secretary of the Young People's Missionary Movement. My experience here has convinced me more firmly of the necessity of missionary education, if we are to accomplish the task that is ours. We are seeing the evidences of the value of missionary education nearly every day in an increase of interest in missionary work, in increased contributions, and in benefits to the spiritual life. Contributions are directly related to knowledge. One

of the best illustrations of this is the work of the Woman's Missionary Society. In this organization we find groups of women meeting together to study topics connected with missionary work, and one of the natural results is a real increase of interest, of contributions, and of spiritual life.

Among my friends are two laymen, one of them a lawyer in New York, and the other a busy merchant in Toronto, both of whom have received a great impetus to their spiritual lives in the last eight years through mission study, and both of them have greatly increased their contributions to various kinds of missionary endeavor. Instances of this kind are not uncommon, and there is no reason why the same kind of increased interest cannot be secured in churches among other people as well as among women.

The Young People's Missionary Movement plans seven conferences for the summer of 1910, and will assist at some others. If those who are to lead in the Conference at Ocean Park would go to the Conference at Silver Bay for their training, it would be a splendid thing and would result in increased efficiency of the Ocean Park Conference. If the Ocean Park Conference can succeed in gathering together fifty to a hundred young people, and can give them a vision, it might do more to arouse the churches to real spiritual life than any other Conference or work known to me. I wish that throughout the denomination there might be a widespread awakening of the value and need of missionary education; such an education as would embrace the special purpose of missions, the concrete facts of missions, and the inspiration to give life and money.

HARRY S. MYERS.

156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

RECEIVED: Original Poems, by Mrs. Mary B. Wingate, Pittsfield, Me. White and gold pamphlet, with portrait. Price 25 cents....Report, 1909, of American Free Baptist Missions in India and Africa, can be obtained of Rev. H. M. Ford, D. D., Hillsdale, Mich....Bulletin of Bates College....Proceedings of the Maine F. B. Association....Hand Book of the Maine Free Baptist Young People.

India Notes

BY MRS. GRIFFIN.

The mission bungalow at Patna Jellasore is a sacred place. Many years and God's good men and women have made it sacred to those who have followed the work done there. Miss Barnes, our children's missionary, is there alone now, as was Miss Crawford for many years of precious opportunity.

The bungalow has been well repaired, a new roof being put on two or three of the rooms that most needed it. Mr. Ager did this work, and he is now building a mission house for another mission. It is well to be able to get a faithful man to do work like that when needed. Mr. Collett and the Jellasore people have had a preacher's house built and other needed things done. Now the place looks as if they mean business—and they do.

The women school teachers, Zenana teachers and Bible women must, each year, take a course of Bible study, with written examinations. According to their marks they get first and second prizes; or, if they pass low, no prize. A failure to pass means a fine. Eleven Jellasore women took the examination. Nine took first prize with marks above 90 and on up to 100. One took the second prize and the other passed. Now this means faithful teaching and hard study.

Santipore has long needed a woman for her Training School who has both College and Training School diplomas. Now they have secured Miss Chandra, B. A., of Cuttack. Miss Butts and Miss Chandra will be able to do better work there, we believe, than ever has been done. Miss Kenyan was my helper, a most thorough teacher, enthusiastic in the work. But Government required a woman with higher passes and they let her go with regret. She will be remembered with love and gratitude. Miss Chandra comes the first of February.

Kunie and Ruth have begun to teach in a Mohammedan village near Jellasore. Pray that God's Spirit may speak through them to the women taught.

A Clearer Vision

Never have I seen Thee so clearly as when I was breaking bread to the hungry; never have I loved Thee so dearly as when I soothed a brother's pain. I sought the friendless children, and I discovered Bethlehem. I visited the humble homes and I found Nazareth.—*George Matheson.*

Treasurer's Notes

New Auxiliary, Center Strafford, N. H.

I am writing these notes for the March number of our magazine. How quickly the winter is going by. Indeed, the years are going so rapidly that they warn some of us that what we do must be done quickly. And yet, if life here and there is a continuous thing, what we do here is as much a part of eternity as what we do there, and so should be done under the guidance of the same Spirit as we fondly hope will guide us there.

I have been glad to receive, of late, several communications regarding the Roll of Honor, some asking for extension of time in which to pay for the shares in Miss Barnes' salary. The list will be corrected in March so as to appear in the April issue of this magazine. I think, however, it will not be too late to make changes if money is remitted, directly to me, immediately after reading these notes. I have called attention, in the *Morning Star*, to the MISSIONARY HELPER, making an especial appeal for money. As this appeal will not, probably, reach all interested in it, I venture to repeat it here.

I suppose many of the Agents of the HELPER have not yet completed their work. I hope such will do this at once, securing new subscribers as well as collecting renewals. The interests of our little magazine call for prompt, interested and business-like women as agents. Indeed, it is such women who have kept the HELPER an active influence these many years, whether they have been the Editor, or agents, or simply personal contributors.

I wish every lover of our missionary work would realize that the best interest of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society demands a large, paid-up subscription list, as well as contributions for our India field and Storer College. Indeed, to give money for the MISSIONARY HELPER, either through subscriptions, or by personal contributions, is giving money for missions, for two reasons: One is, if there is a deficit in publishing it, as there usually is, money has to be taken from the treasury of the Woman's Missionary Society to meet this deficit; the other is, that without a magazine, our society could not get the needs of the work before our auxiliaries, and then contributions would greatly lessen, unless we had a paid agent in the field. Even then an agent could not accomplish what our monthly visitor accomplishes.

These facts should engage the attention of Auxiliaries, and all who

contribute to the work. For these reasons I appeal not only for new subscribers among our membership, but urge that Auxiliaries take \$3 shares in the MISSIONARY HELPER, using the money in sending a yearly subscription to six persons, who either cannot afford to take it, or to those whom the society may wish to interest in the missionary work and in the magazine. Besides, will not individuals make contributions for this department of the F. B. W. M. S.? All contributions, either in shares, or in other sums of money, sent to Miss Edythe R. Porter, will be credited in monthly receipts and forwarded to the Agent of the MISSIONARY HELPER.

I am sure all who know Mrs. Metcalf will be glad to learn that she is again at Storer College. She loves the work and is warmly welcomed by the school.

I wish I could meet, face to face, those who have become discouraged, because, in their loyalty to the Free Baptist faith, they fear we are losing our visibility as a denomination. As I personally view the situation, the greatest danger that threatens us is losing our identity through lack of unity. Let the minority fall into line with the majority at the coming General Conference, and it will be the surest way of preserving our churches, and so our missionary work. I plead for unity, for the sake of India, for the sake of Storer, for the sake of the cause of Christ in our churches. Let us pray for it, and pray, too, that great wisdom may be given in our attempts to secure it.

Miss Porter's letters are received. The receipts for Miss Barnes' salary are very gratifying, especially because they represent several of the societies and Sunday schools which appeared in the list in the MISSIONARY HELPER for January. We are glad to retain on our list the Juniors of Dover and Foxcroft. Milo, Saco, Willing Workers of North Lebanon and Sunday school of Lisbon, all of Maine; Sunday school of Dover, N. H., and "Deacon Page's Girls' Missionary Society" of Haverhill, Mass. We welcome to the Roll of Honor the "Cheerful Club" of Carolina, R. I. May the name stand for a lot of young folks who go about the work of the society cheerfully, because they love it.

I wish I could mention all who have in any way contributed to our work during January. As it is, I can only refer to the larger contributions. Of these the largest is Maine. Miss Kate Anthony, of Auburn, the State Treasurer, sends \$118.75; this includes \$25 from Saco Auxiliary, \$25 from Primary and Intermediate departments of Sunday school of

Portland, for support of Preya Bala, one year, and \$10 each from Kingfield church and North Lebanon auxiliary. Then the New Hampshire Treasurer, Mrs. M. S. Getchell, North Woodstock, sends \$12 from Center Sandwich Auxiliary, and \$10 from Ladies' Aid of Loudon. The Woman's Missionary Society of Huntley, Minnesota, contributes \$30; the Ladies' Missionary Society of Second Free Baptist church of Buffalo, N. Y., \$25 for native teacher, Nitya; Miss Benedict of Winnebago, Minnesota, \$25 for India school; F. B. W. M. S. of Madelia, \$20; Uniontown, Illinois, F. B. M. S., \$13, and F. B. M. S. of Brookston, Ind., \$12.50, for Hindu Boys' School. You will notice that several of these sums are for special work, either for schools or teachers or children.

We very much need some recruits along lines of special work, particularly in support of children in Sinclair Orphanage and Hindu schools at Midnapore. Will not Auxiliaries and friends of the society, without special work, correspond with me about it? One of the reasons why the treasury of the Woman's Society has been saved from deficits is because so many have been responsible for some obligation that they have voluntarily assumed. Many who have done this not only meet these obligations promptly, but at about the same time each year. For instance: Miss Benedict sends her contribution for a Hindu Boys' School at this season of the year, and the Auxiliary in Phillips, Maine, sends in August. This gives stability to the financial side of our work. Again I say, we need some volunteers just now. Who will be the first to assume the support of an orphan? Not long ago a lady lost a little girl, Janet by name, who had saved some money. The mother, Mrs. Teeple, has sent that money to the treasury, to be used for the support of a little child. Are there not others, who have no little girls, who would like to adopt one in Sinclair Orphanage?

In considering our mercies, in response to the call for the May Thank Offering, I hope we shall plan our gifts in advance, in keeping with our mercies, so that the offering will be intelligently made, and stand for real thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for our blessings..

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, Treasurer.

A trader passing a converted cannibal in Africa, asked him what he was doing. "Oh, I am reading the Bible," was the reply. "That book is out of date in my country," said the foreigner. "If it had been out of date here," said the African to the European, "you'd have been eaten long ago."—*Baptist Commonwealth*.

Items on the Run

(FROM REV. HENRY M. FORD, D. D., CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, GENERAL CONFERENCE OF FREE BAPTISTS.)

Possibly the readers of the HELPER may be interested in a number of items that are of more than passing moment to our people. One of these is our next General Conference to be held at Ocean Park, beginning July 13, 1910. Besides the question which comes up for settlement, of co-operation with the Baptists in missionary work, it is proposed to make Home Missions a very special feature. It is time the home base of supplies had attention. It must have. While our Foreign Mission work is at a stage which can not safely be slighted, nevertheless the home base upon which all depend must be strengthened and expanded, if possible. With an ever-increasing demand upon our Foreign Mission treasury, there must be a corresponding enlargement and ability to respond on the part of the home churches. The growth of foreign missions abroad and contraction of the field at home cannot exist, side by side, for ever. Hence now, and not by and by, very special anxiety must be felt for our home work.

You have doubtless all heard of the stormy trip of our four missionaries who sailed from Vancouver, Oct. 20. They arrived in Calcutta Dec. 2, surviving two terrible typhoons. Dr. Kennan was little more than alive upon landing. Hypodermic injections alone saved him. He is better now and letters received from him are cheerful. His hospital and windmill are beginning to materialize. Miss Coe and Miss Gowen were good sailors and happy all the way over. The former writes that she is in love with everything, especially our missionaries. These girls have good missionary timber in them. In this connection, I may say that five others have been accepted and desire to sail in 1911, and four more are wanting to be accepted. One of the ablest seniors in Hillsdale College came to my room yesterday and said, "I am ready to go to India this Fall." This was a great surprise. What a shame, what a culpable shame and unspeakable humiliation to brave, ardent spirits like these, who have fought out their spiritual battle and conquered, and who present themselves before us to be accepted and we have to say, "We can't get the money to send you." Over 650 of our churches will not make the slightest effort. God pity the church that has no horizon and no vision.

The special rally was disappointing, partly from severe storms in

the West, but not entirely. Many did nobly, many took no interest. The General Conference Board and the Woman's Auxiliaries, and other leaders, worked as they never worked before. Seventeen circular letters went out from this office to thousands of people. But the money is still coming in so that, in all, we shall probably get \$10,000 out of it. We are behind just \$4,255.78. Now then, if we can raise the apportionment we shall come out whole at the end of the year. I hope the churches will do that.

We have 9,000 beautiful mite boxes at this office. Easter is near and these should be in the hands of the children. I think the Woman's Auxiliaries could handle them so much better than we can. They are free for the postage, 11 cents per 25.

A letter just received from Miss DeMeritte says she will attend the World's Missionary Convention at Edinburgh, this summer, as our delegate, and she is already appointed.

Language is too feeble to portray the mighty inspiration of the Students' Volunteer Convention at Rochester. Think of 100 secretaries and 3,000 students sitting awed, sobered, silent, pale, as the great curtains kept rolling back and the great vision of the world's need appeared, and the vast project to be immediately undertaken of "evangelizing the world in this generation." As the appeals were made and went home to these young students, what solemnity followed, what heart searching, what wrestling, what agonizing, what mental struggle. In one of the graphic moments of the Convention, Mr. Scott said, "I have no doubt but there are those sitting here who will, in some not distant day, fall as martyrs for the faith on heathen soil." The solemnity that followed was profound. On the last night more than twenty telegrams, received during the Convention from every part of the habitable globe, were read urging haste.

But more at another time.

HENRY M. FORD.

Hillsdale, Mich.

"My mornings I will make sublime,
My afternoons a song divine,
And all my nights shall be a prayer;
And then life is conquered everywhere."

"Whoever will take one step to please God will soon want to take another."

Helps for Monthly Meetings

"Facts are the fingers of God. To know the facts of modern missions is the necessary condition of intelligent interest."



TOPICS FOR 1909-1910

October—Roll-call and Membership Meeting.

November—The Gospel in Latin Lands:

1. Italy.

December—Our Foreign Field.

January—2. France.

February—Prayer and Praise.

March—Home Missions.

April—3. Spain, Austria, Portugal.

May—Thank Offering.

June—4. Mexico, Central America, The West Indies.

July—5. Western South America.

August—Missionary Field Day.

September—6. Eastern South America.

April — Spain, Austria, Portugal

The problem in Spain is not so much that of greater culture as of education. Educate the mind, that it may reason, that it may think for itself, educate the soul, make good citizens.... Let us send to foreign countries men that will bring us new ideas, and let us bring from other nations, teachers and professors that will help us in giving new life to our system of education.—From the Plea of a Spanish Deputy.

Dr. Escuder, a liberal Spaniard, writes: "The only places where the religion of Christ is taught is in the Protestant schools that are in Madrid and scattered throughout the provinces of Spain. In these schools many Roman Catholic children who have been taken there by their own mothers are enrolled. There they learn to love their neighbor and to be charitable and kind, not only in theory, but also in practice."

Suggestive Program

HYMN: "Joy to the World."

BIBLE READING: God's Gift to the World: Prophecy—Isa. 7:14; Isa. 9:6-7; Dan. 7:13-14; Jer. 33:14-16. Fulfillment—(1) Birth, Luke

2:1-20; Matt. 1:22-23; (2) Child, Luke 2:40; (3) Young Man, Luke 4:14-22; (4) King, Luke 19:37-40; (5) Servant, Matt. 20:27-28; (6) Satisfier, John 6:35; (7) Divine, John 10:30; (8) The Resurrection, John 11:25. What does this gift mean to us? John 13:15; Phil. 2:5; I Pet. 2:21-24; I John 2:6.—*Missionary Tidings*.

PRAYER.

CURRENT EVENTS from our own Field.

MAP STUDY AND GEOGRAPHY OF SPAIN. Show how position and environment have affected her history. Explain what the map of Spain in the sixteenth century would include, with the foreign possessions, when Spain was the widest world-empire known up to that time. Then twentieth century Spain stripped of all her colonies.

Tell briefly of the coming of the various peoples into Spain.

PAPER: Spain in the Sixteenth Century and the Twentieth—A Contrast.

THE STORY OF THE INQUISITION.

OUR DEBT TO SPAIN ("Not only are we indebted to a Spanish queen for making possible the first voyage of Columbus, but to scores of great Spanish explorers and pioneers who discovered and tamed vast sections of North America. There is, too, the world's debt to great artists of Spain, Murillo and Velasquez; and to writers like Calderon and Cervantes. The Spanish people is today neither weak nor exhausted. The peasantry are brave, hardy, vigorous; a new life is stirring.")

PRESENT CONDITIONS.

ONE WOMAN'S WORK IN SPAIN. Show the picture of Mrs. Alice Gordan Gulick (United Study Pictures, No. 5) and tell the story of the beginning, growth and accomplishment of her beautiful work, as graphically and forcefully as possible. Show the wide-spread influence of the International Institute for Girls, and bring out the hopefulness of life in this land where early Christianity was so sadly blotted out.

JOHN HUSS AND HIS LAND. Very brief paper on talk, bringing out the vital points of this intensely interesting topic. See No. 6, in Study Pictures. Note that in Bohemia, one hundred years before Luther, the fires of the Reformation were kindled. Origin of the Moravian

Church. A special reason why the United States should be interested in these peoples of Austria-Hungary is the fact that they are coming to us by the hundreds of thousands each year.

PRAYER.

CLOSING HYMN.

REFERENCES: Encyclopædia, "How to Use Gospel in Latin Lands."

Washington Irving's writings about Spain; an old book of perennial interest, "Bible in Spain," by George Borrow. "Spain of To-day from Within," by Andujar (Revell). "Spanish Highways," Katherine Lee Bates.

Biblia Medica

The Bible is a spiritual apothecary shop. Behold the prescriptions for:

Care—"Be careful for nothing."

Doubt (as to doctrine)—"If any man will do his will," etc. Doubt (as to duty)—"If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God."

Fear—"Perfect love casteth out fear."

Greed—"Seek first the kingdom of God," etc.

Pride—"Be clothed with humility."

Lust—"Walk in the spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh."

Selfish—"He that loveth his life shall lose it," etc.

Ambition—"Seekest thou great things for thyself? Seek them not."

Anger—"Let all anger be put away from among you."

Heartache—"He bindeth up the broken in heart."

Loneliness—"I am not alone, the Father is with me."

Despair—"Why art thou cast down, O my soul? Hope thou in God!"

Guilt—"I will. Be thou clean."

Weakness—"They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength."

Discouragement—"Be of good cheer and He shall strengthen thine heart."

Heart-sickness—"Rejoice in the Lord alway."

Impatience—"Be ye kind, tender-hearted, forgiving."

Appetite—"Keep the body under and bring it into subjection."

Coldness—"Keep yourselves in the love of God."—*Selected.*

THE MISSIONARY HELPER BRANCH
OF THE
International Sunshine Society

Have you had a kindness shown?
Pass it on.
Twas not given for you alone—
Pass it on.

Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
Till in heaven the deed appears
Pass it on.



All letters, packages, or inquiries concerning this page or sunshine work, should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, 593 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., president of this branch.

Many sunshine rays have been scattered during the past month, some of which we are not privileged to report. We wish to state that each communication received is answered, so if no acknowledgement is made please write again that we may know if any I. S. S. mail has gone astray.

Mrs. A. C. Trull has given postage stamps, leaflets and poems. Mrs. Cylinda D. Douglas is cheering the distressed and shut-in ones by sending post cards and literature, and gives \$1.00 "to bring good cheer to some poor heart or family." Mrs. W. H. Roberts is sending out sunshine rays and is giving her HELPER regularly to a shut-in sister. Mrs. Minerva G. Jones, among other kind acts, sent us a number of fancy cards. Mrs. Libbie Skeels is cheering others with letters and cards. Mrs. David E. Love has sent letters and greetings into saddened homes. Mrs. B. gave \$1.00 as annual dues, but hardly a month of the year passes without sunshine acts of all kinds being recorded to this member's account. Mrs. W. reports having cheered all on her long list. Mrs. May Chatterton has given a donation of money to two Orphans' Homes during the past month.

A communication from one of our California members, Mrs. L. M. Judd, brings a God speed to each one in the HELPER Branch. Mrs. Mary B. Wingate sent in twelve bound booklets of a few of her choice poems. This was a very helpful act, for it has brightened the lives of each one who has been fortunate enough to receive a copy.

Mrs. E. L. Condon sent in \$1.00 as the first receipts of the Blind Babies' Mite Box which she has placed in the bank in Le Grand, Iowa. Mrs. Mary L. Tinkham has made ten caps for the nurses in the Sunshine Sanitarium at Bensonhurst. Mrs. Ethel Howe and her sister, Miss Clara Folsom, have sent a package which contained three books, six stamped postals, fancy cards and two dainty book marks. A package of paper dolls from Miss Linnie M. Grant. A pink hair ribbon from Miss Bessie M. Blood. These gifts will go to cheer some of our juniors. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Alverson have helped by gifts of cards and postage stamps. Miss A. A. Garland gave cards, stamps and a silk book mark.

Mrs. Ettie H. Smith has been a most active member since coming into our sunshine family. Recently a large express package of good reading matter has been received, aside from numerous gifts that have gone direct to others. She asks that her mother, Mrs. M. F. Smith, Route 2, Caledonia, Ohio, be enrolled. She and her aged husband, who is blind, would enjoy letters as it would bring news of the outside world. Mrs. Frank Fletcher of Loudon, N. H., another new member, who is shining very brightly, has written loving messages of cheer to invalids, has given stamped cards, also her HELPERS with postage to forward to others.

One of our shut-in members, Mrs. Frank A. Roberts, of North Berwick, Maine, has left us for the home in Heaven. Her last years have been filled with suffering, but she was cared for very tenderly by a loving husband and sister, yet how gladly she must have gone from the dear earthly home, to the one above where all is brightness.

Practical Christian Living

"Eternal God, may Thy love make me lovely! May all unloveliness pass out of my spirit by Thy grace! Graciously refine me into true nobility, and make me a worthy child of the Altogether Lovely."

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OUR QUIET HOUR

(10 A. M.)

Easter Song

The heart of the clod is stirring
With impulse blind for room;
The sun's soft voice is wooing it;
The wind's warm breath is suing it—
"Wake little clod to beauty;
Stir, tiny seed, to duty;
Rise to life, to bloom."

Thou soul of mine, art groping
Thy heavenward path to prove?
Hark to the great Heart wooing thee,
List to the great Voice suing thee—
"Wake, thou, my own, to beauty;
Rise, Thou redeemed, to duty;
Rise to life, to love."

—Eva Horton, in Christian Endeavor World.

Easter is the promise of the Lord that all the best and noblest in man shall be renewed, even as growth and bloom and ripening shall not cease. The bars of winter are broken, and the iron bands of death are riven. The bird is on the wing, and the flight of the soul shall know no weariness. The lilies lift their holy white grails, brimmed with the sunshine of God's love. For has not the Lord manifested His love in flowers and in the upspringing of green things? They are sweet interpreters of large certainties. Each year the winter cuts them down, and each spring they put forth again. Every spring is a new page in the book of revelation, wherein we read that life is an eternal genesis, and its end is not; for it endureth forever. * * * Belief in eternal life compels us to believe in good deeds and honest thoughts. The good man toils not for today, nor for tomorrow alone, but because he knows that his labor shall survive long after his hand has fallen from the plough. The good man pours himself into the world and makes it new. He is among the blessed who win sight out of blindness, order out of chaos,

and life out of death. Since the first Easter morning the soul of man has shone with unwasting light; for then he looked into the radiant face of the risen Christ, and knew that God's universe shapes itself not to destruction, but to a yet more glorious genesis; yea, it endureth from everlasting to everlasting.—*Helen Keller.*

'Tis the spring of souls today;
 Christ hath burst His prison.
 From the frost and gloom of death
 Light and life have risen.
 All the winter of our sins,
 Long and dark, is flying
 From His light, to whom we give
 Thanks and praise undying.

"Hallelujah!" now we cry
 To our King Immortal,
 Who, triumphant, burst the bars
 Of the tomb's dark portal;
 "Hallelujah!" with the Son,
 God the Father praising;
 "Hallelujah!" yet again
 To the Spirit raising.

— John of Damascus.

The Easter Spirit

The Easter spirit, if allowed to rule in our lives, would make us helpers of others' faith and joy. As it is, however, too many of us seem not to have got beyond Good Friday in our experience. We have never truly learned that Christ is risen. We may express such belief in creed and hymn and word, but to us Christ is not really a living Christ. Of Moses we are told that "he endured as seeing him who is invisible." The presence of God was as real to Moses as if he had seen God with his natural eyes. We claim Christ's promise, "I am with you all the days," but we do not live as if we really believed this promise. We doubt and fear and yield to sin as if there were no Christ in all the world.

A Christian man said to his pastor at the end of the year: "I have gone through the Bible five times this year." The pastor looked at him a moment and asked: "How often has the Bible gone through you this year?" Countless good people will sing hymns of hope and joy and love on Easter morning, but into the heart and life of how many of them has the Easter truth really entered? How many are, indeed, risen with Christ? Easter is not a day for lilies and carols only; it is a day for getting the lilies and carols into our life.—*Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.*

Juniors

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The Light of Easter Morn

The children come with happy songs
To greet the Easter dawning;
The bells are ringing clear and
sweet,
In silv'ry music they repeat,
"The Lord is risen!" Come and
greet
The light of Easter morning.

Fair lilies from their sleep arise
To welcome Easter's dawning,
While birds and bees and butter-
flies
To newer life and light arise;
For Easter sunshine fills the skies—
The light of Easter morning.

Within our hearts and lives today
The Easter light is dawning,
For Christ is risen from the dead,
And we shall live again, He said;
So through the whole wide world
is shed
The light of Easter morning.

And this is why the children sing
At glorious Easter dawning,
Why lilies bloom and joy bells
ring—
To hail our risen Lord and King
Who unto young and old doth
bring
New light this Easter morning.

—Elizabeth G. H. Atwood.

Suggestive Program

JOURNEY NUMBER FOUR: Westward Ho with Columbus.

MEMORY TEXT: Isa. xlii. (Written on blackboard.)

SINGING.

BIBLE LESSON: The Sailor's Psalm, cvii 23-31. Read responsively by boys and girls.

PRAYER by Superintendent, followed by sentence prayers by Juniors.

SINGING.

ROLL CALL. Cull items, about work for children in India and Africa, from our latest report of Free Baptist Missions.

THE LESSON: Page 44, "The Golden Key."

We again enter our good airship, the "Speedaway," after presenting our tickets to the Captain, and sail for Southern Spain to the port of Palos, from whence we follow the track of Columbus across the Atlantic. With the aid of map, pictures, a little direction and bits of description by the captain, the Juniors will be able to tell the story of this trip among the islands. . . . In the visit to Mexico, vary the program by presenting the pictures Nos. 7 to 16, inclusive, of the United Study Pictures, letting each picture, as shown, suggest the topic for question and conversation.

PICTURE, "The Astec Sacrificial Stone." A glimpse of the people whom Cortes found in Mexico in 1519.

PICTURE, "Benito Juarez." Why was he called "The Abraham Lincoln of Mexico"? Who was called the "Washington"?

PICTURES, Nos. 13 and 15. Boys and girls in Mexico.

PICTURE, "A Pleasant Chat at the Fountain." Street Scenes in Mexico.

PICTURE, "Chapel of Guadalupe." Beautiful old buildings in Mexico.

PICTURES, "The Sarah L. Keen College and Colegio Chihuahuense." Beautiful modern mission work in Mexico.

THE STORY OF THE BOY AND THE BIBLE IN CHIHUAHUA, told by an older boy.

THE STORY OF THE MISSIONARY HEROINE OF MEXICO, told by a girl.

WHO CAN REMEMBER? Review Questions.

PRAYER for the boys and girls in the places we have visited.

CLOSING SONG.

HELPS: Junior Superintendents will find the Senior textbook, "The Gospel in Latin Lands," helpful in gleaning facts for each meeting. "Today in the Land of Tomorrow," published by the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, gives delightful glimpses of family life in Mexico.

Recent numbers of the *Travel Magazine* are rich in articles and illustrations. The United Study Pictures and text-books can be obtained of Mrs. A. D. Chapman, 12 Prescott St., Lewiston, Me. In "Mexico in Transition," by Dr. Butler, which you can doubtless get from your public library, you will find accounts of the lives of Hidalgo and Juarez. The boys will enjoy telling about the splendid bravery of these two heroes. Dr. Trumbull's "Child Life in Many Lands" is full of interest. Tiny red, white and green Mexican flags, made of paper, would make appropriate souvenirs.

Mexican Spelling

There lived a man in Mexico
Who all his life did battle
To rightly spell such easy words
As Nahuatlacatl.

He wrote the names of all the towns—
It took of ink a bottle—
But could not spell Tenochtitlan
Nor plain Tlaxatecotl.

He went to spelling school each day,
And though a man of mettle,
He could not conquer Topiltzin
Nor Huitzilopohctli.

He dwelt some time in Yucatan,
And there, at Tzompantilli,
He learned to spell one little word,
'Twas Ziuhonolpilli.

The joy of spelling just one word
Did all his mind unsettle;
But, spelling still, he failed at last
On Popocatepetl.

—Selected.

The area of our neighboring republic, Mexico, is one-fourth the size of the United States, with a population one-sixth as large. It is said that three-fourths of Mexico's people can neither read nor write. But "If any country in the civilized world just emerging from centuries of chaos, plundered and ground down by foreign officials and prelates, with several decades of bloody and incessant revolution to further devastate her fields and cities, can show a better record of recent advancement than has Mexico, let us hear from her."

Contributions

F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for January, 1910

MAINE

Bowdoinham Ridge Aux for Miss Coombs	\$ 3 00
Casco Aux for Miss Coombs	7 50
Dover & Foxcroft Ch Jr Soc'y for Miss Barnes	4 00
Kingfield Ch W M S	10 00
Lisbon S S for Miss Barnes	4 00
Milo Jr C E for Miss Barnes	4 00
No Lebanon Aux for Miss Coombs	10 00
No Lebanon Miss Band of Willing Workers for 1 sh Miss Barnes' sal'y	4 00
Portland Ch Primary & Int Dpt for sup Preya Bala for one year	25 00
Portland Aux for Miss Coombs' sal'y	4 00
Portland Aux one share in HELPER toward running expenses	3 00
Portland Mrs O W Fullam 1 sh HELPER	3 0
Saco Aux for sup Lydia Durgin	25 00
Saco Cutts Ave children 2 shares Miss Barnes' sal'y	8 00
Steep Falls Aux for Hindu Boys' School No 9 at Midnapore	6 25
Steep Falls A L B for Miss Barnes	2 00
NOTE—The credit in December Receipts to Lewiston Main St Aux for Dom Sci Storer 5 00; Helping Hands Miss Barnes 4.00; C R for C R Dpt 3.00; total 12.00; should have been given to West Falmouth Maine societies for the same objects	

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Centre Sandwich Aux for C F	\$ 12 00
Dover Wash St S S Dpt for Miss Barnes	4 00
Franklin Aux	5 54
Loudon Ladies' Aid	10 00
New Hampton Jrs	4 00

VERMONT

Enosburg Falls Aux Miss Dawson	\$ 8 00
Huntington Asso Coll Miss Dawson	3 87
So Strafford Ch Miss Dawson	5 00
Waterbury Centre Ch Miss Dawson	3 75
Wheelock Asso Coll Miss Dawson	6 21

MASSACHUSETTS

Haverhill Winter St Ch Dea Pages' Girls' Miss Soc'y for Miss Barnes	\$ 4 00
Lynn High St Aux for native teacher's sal'y	6 25

RHODE ISLAND

Carolina Cheerful Club for 1 sh Miss Barnes' sal'y	\$
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NEW YORK

Buffalo Aux for native teacher Nitya's sal'y	\$ 25 00
Potsdam Mr & Mrs B F Jefferson for C F	2 00

INDIANA

Brookston F B W M S for Hindu Boys' School in care Miss Butts	\$ 12 50
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ILLINOIS

Uniontown F B Miss Soc'y Dues	\$ 13 00
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MICHIGAN

Saginaw Mrs S J Teeple in memory of Janet Teeple	\$ 5 00
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MINNESOTA

Huntley F B W M S on apportionment	\$ 30 00
Madelia F B Ch for Miss Barnes	4 00
Madelia F B W M S on apportionment	20 00
Winnebago S S Miss Barnes' sal'y	2 00
Winnebago Sarah Benedict for School at Mid	25 00
Winona Aux for F M	5 00
Panama Cristobal Canal Zone Joseph M Weaver for P H	\$ 1 00

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Laura A. DeMeritte, Treas.

Dover, N. H.

Per Edyth R. Porter, Asst. Treas.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath the sum of—to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine.